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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

米国特許出願宣言書及び委任状

## Japanese Language Declaration

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Title (発明の名称):
CARTRIDGE FOR STAPLER AND STAPLER
of which is described and claimed in: 上記名称の発明を記述し特許請求する書類は、以下のいずれかです。
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( ) the specification in the application Serial No
(x) the specification in International Application No. PCT/JP02/12859, filed December 09, 2002,
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Japan	2002-133658	May 09, 2002	Yes

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## DECLARATION SUPPORTING CLAIM FOR SMALL ENTITY STATUS

The undersigned hereby declare(s) that this statement is made to support a claim by the below identified entity for purposes of paying reduced fees under Sections 41(a) and (b) of
Title 35, United States Code, with regard to an invention entitled <u>CARTRIDGE FOR STAPLER</u> AND STAPLER, invented by <u>KAME IAMA Toshiyuki and KAME YAMA</u>
and described in Saunosuke
[] the specification filed herewith. [X] application Serial No. \(\frac{\rho CT/JP 02/12859}{\rho 2}\), filed \(\frac{\rho cember 09, 2002}{\rho 2}\). [] Patent No. \(\frac{\rho}{\rho}\), issued
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[] b. I/we would qualify as (an) independent inventor(s) as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.9(c) if I/we had made the above-identified application, and rights under contract law with regard to the above-identified invention have been conveyed to and remain with me/us.
[] c. I am [] the owner rights under contract law with regard to the above-identified small business concern; rights under contract law with regard to the above-identified invention have been conveyed to and remain with the below-identified small business concern; and this concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 C.F.R. 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Codes, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons, said number being determined and said affiliates being defined in 13 C.F.R. 121.3-18.
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